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DAHLIAS

RARE AND UNIQUE



Dahlia, Bertha Von Suttner

Investing in choicest Dahlias is indeed profitable when one considers the pride and pleasure derived from three months exquisite flowering—and then the harvest: a rich dividend of tubers far exceeding in value the original investment.

GORDON F. WAASER

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DECORATIVE DAHLIAS

The "Decorative" is the highest type of dahlia. It has beauty, substance, gigantic size—all that is desirable. Our list presents a very careful selection of the world's choicest novelties.

- ALASKA—A pure white dahlia of largest size and true formation. Broad petals, free flowering, good stems. Admired by one and all. 1.00
- AMERICAN BEAUTY—Gigantic blossoms of a wine crimson shade, produced in abundance. Perfect type. .25
- AMUN RA—A glorious contribution to the color scheme of the dahlia kingdom. It is an immense decorative of an entirely new formation. The outer petals are a gorgeous shade of copper and orange shading to gold and amber and deepening in the large full center to a rich dark reddish bronze. Wonderful stems, erect and stout on a strong, vigorous plant—an unsurpassable prize winner. 7.00
- BONNIE BRAE—Cream shaded blush pink blossoms of gigantic size, produced in abundance. The flowers average seven inches across and four inches deep—one you will greatly admire. 2.00
- BYRON STREETER—A mammoth decorative of lilac purple, suffused dark lilac on outer petals, all overlaid with a bluish sheen—a striking and valuable exhibition sort. 1.00
- CHAMPAGNE—The color is rare and beautiful; a rich cream suffused light jasper red, giving the blossoms a tone of glowing pinkish orange buff. The bushes are covered with massive blooms held high on rigid stems—truly a wonderful and exquisite decorative. 7.50
- CHARM—A grand cut flower variety; elegant formation; color burnt orange shading to amber golden; free bloomer on stout wiry stems. One of the choicest autumn hued varieties—a prize winner and great favorite. 3.00
- CONNOMONA—Excellent decorative of brilliant orange red, produced profusely on long fine stems. .50
- DAKOTA—Extraordinary exhibition flower held on strong stout stems, facing the garden boldly. The color is flame, a suffusion of golden-orange-red. A splendid, meritorious dahlia. 3.00
- DREAM—A lovely shade of peach pink with an amber-like glow. Attractively formed perfect flowers of great beauty, held erect, high above the foliage, on splendid stems. .60

- DR. TEVIS—A magnificent salmon-rose suffused with old gold, making a wonderful color blending. Immense flowers produced on long, vigorous stems. A consistent prize winner. 1.00
- DR. TYRELL—Very pretty flower, well formed, on long fine stems. Color tawny bronze. .45
- D. M. MOORE—An enormous, full flower of a deep velvety maroon, almost black, with a decided metallic lustre—alone in its class. .25
- EARLE WILLIAMS—Few dahlias can compare with this one for attractive bouquet or basket work. The color is brilliant crimson, striped and tipped white, colors beautifully distributed. The extra large blooms are produced on great long stems. A most unique and rare novelty—must be seen to be appreciated. 5.00
- EDNA ROLLINS—Pretty shade of old rose with streaks of yellow near the center, and slightly veined through the petals. Fine stems. 1.00
- EMPEROR—A maroon of the finest type; perfect form, immense size, long stiff stems. A prize winner of the highest merit. Emperor is classed among the very choicest in existence. A Judge Marean introduction. 6.00
- G. H. CARR—Perhaps the largest deep purple decorative to date. Beautiful, immense blooms, seven to eight inches across, borne on bushes of ideal growth. 1.00
- GRIZZLEY—Every dahlia lover should have this splendid California gem. Color is the richest, deep velvety red. Plant is a vigorous grower and the very stately blooms are held high, on extra stout stems. 2.00
- HORTULANUS FIET—Beautiful shrimp pink with salmon and gold suffusion; petals broad and massive, loosely arranged, making a flower of great substance. Received highest award in Holland, also Cardiff, England. .70
- HORTULANUS WITTE—A perfectly formed decorative of pure white—one which gives general satisfaction. .40
- IMPROVED GUSTAV VAN DOAZON—Colossal dahlia, one of the largest grown. Brilliant brick red blooms in great abundance on long stiff stems. .25
- INSULINDA—Unquestionably, one of the loveliest varieties of all time. It is certainly an exceptional dahlia of golden bronze or Havana brown, overlaid with a brilliant metallic sheen. Immense flowers of waxy petals rolled and twisted elegantly. Stems as stiff as a cane. A consistent prize winner. If you are seeking a real gem, do not overlook this one. 2.50

- JOHN ALDEN**—A beautiful, big, symmetrical jewel of royal purple. Fine form, long stiff stems. It is the finest of its color. Splendid for exhibition and cutting. 4.00
- JOHN LEWIS CHILDS**—A novelty of clear yellow, suffused, striped and spotted scarlet. Large flowers with stiff stems. A prize winner. 2.50
- JUDGE MAREAN**—Is indeed magnificent. A perfect type produced on splendid stems. There is a riot of coloring ever changing as the flower ages. Glowing salmon pink-red-orange and pure gold, all blending most beautifully. Admired by all. 5.00
- LADY HELEN**—An aristocrat among cut flowers. Beautiful large blooms; cerise, striped softly with creamy white. Long strong stems. Very desirable. 2.00
- LE GRAND MANITOU**—Europe's finest variegated dahlia. White blossoms heavily spotted, striped, blotched and suffused reddish violet. Flowers produced on splendid stems. .30
- LOGAN'S WHITE**—This magnificent new Californian is perhaps the loveliest white decorative ever sent out. Color snow white, elegant perfect form. Stems rigid and long. The bushes are always full of large fine flowers. 5.00
- LOUISE PARSONS**—Pale gold, shading to tawny bronze flowers produced in abundance on a wide branching bush. A glorious autumn-hued variety, which creates a furore wherever exhibited. 5.00
- LOYALTY**—A magnificent royal purple creation of tremendous size; wonderful stems; very beautiful lace-like foliage. One you will greatly admire. 2.00
- MABEL B. TAFT**—Immense California decorative of yellow, suffused with pinkish apricot. Very effective under artificial light. Attracts and retains universal attention. 1.00
- MADONNA**—Too much cannot be said about this glorious introduction. A beautiful large dahlia with glistening white wavy petals borne abundantly on fine stems. Will last many days when cut. .50
- MARY C. BURNS**—Beautiful two-tone coloring, the face of petals being a fine old gold and the reverse dull red to old rose, producing a striking combination. Fine stems, profuse bloomer. 1.50

MEPHISTOPHELES—A giant among dahlias. Vivid scarlet blossoms, some petals tipped with tiny golden points. Extraordinary heavy stems holding the huge flowers erect, almost facing the sky. Has size, color, substance, stems, form and perfect habit. This is a masterpiece and a premier among dahlias. 7.50

MILLIONAIRE—Lavender, shading to white. Very large flowers with broad, long petals, heavy stems. One of the finest and most popular. 1.50

MINA BURGLE—The finest brilliant scarlet. Free flowering, on perfect stems. Plants of excellent habit. Highly recommended. .35

MINNIE McCULLOUGH—Large flowers of orange, copper and bronze blending; finely formed. A very striking variety. Good stems. .35

MME. BUTTERFLY—A novelty combination of violet rose, shading darker at the tips and blending to a deep, golden yellow at the base of petals, showing a rosy magenta reflex, making it extremely attractive. Stems very stiff. Free flowering. 1.75

MRS. CARL SALBACH—Every dahlia garden should include this magnificent variety. Perfect decorative type, of beautiful pinkish lavender. Blossoms seven inches across on stems two to four feet long. Unquestionably one of the greatest prize winners ever sent out from California. 1.50

MRS. E. C. BOSTON—A very popular white decorative. Nicely formed large flowers of great depth, resembling huge pond lilies. Don't pass it by. 1.00

MRS. E. L. LINDSEY—Full centered flowers of exquisite formation and color. Immense blossoms of scarlet, blending to gold, produced on splendid stems. A valuable addition to any fine collection. 3.00

MRS. ETHEL F. T. SMITH—Creamy white shading to lemon tint in the center. Petals long and narrow. One of the largest dahlias grown, producing blooms up to eleven inches without disbudding. Profuse bloomer on long strong stems. 2.00

MRS. I. DE VER WARNER—On account of its beautifully charming color, finely formed blossoms of great size and perfect stems, this dahlia always attracts great attention. The color is a delightful soft orchid, seldom found in the dahlia family. Blooms early and continuously. A gem of the first water and considered one of the six best dahlias of the day. 5.00

MRS. J. GARDNER CASSATT—A large flowered variety of elegant shape, grand stem and plenty of substance. Most pleasing shade of mauve pink. .40

NOBILIS—Beautiful in the garden as well as in bouquets. Very large, prolific bloomer of a lovely color combination. The crimson base of the petals blends into creamy white at the outer edges. A splendid decorative on a very stiff straight stem. 2.50

PATRICK O'MARA—Unusually soft and pleasing shade of orange buff blending to tawny bronze, a beautiful autumn shade. Exquisitely formed large flowers on excellent cane-like stems. 1.50

PAUL MICHAEL (CALIFORNIA GOLD)—A novelty which captures prizes as the largest flower in many shows. Attractive formation and ideal habits. The color is deep orange buff, shading to old rose on reverse of petals; suffused pure gold. A premier among colossal beauties. 3.50

PORTHOS—A nicely formed large decorative of brilliant red, produced on fine stems. Is exquisite in October, blending well with the autumn-hued dahlias. A splendid variety. 1.00

PRIDE OF CALIFORNIA—One of the choicest crimson red California novelties. Strong, robust grower, prolific bloomer. You are missing a gem unless you have this popular gold and silver medal winner. 1.00

PRINCESS MARY—A vivid light pink, margined blush. Abundant bloomer with long strong stems. .50

PRINCESS PAT—The color of this new decorative is a beautiful shade of old rose, deepening toward the center. Blossoms very large and perfect. Stems extra long and straight. A consistent prize winner. 1.50

QUEEN OF THE ROSES—Gorgeous blossoms of rosy pink, borne on elegant stems; exquisite form, large size. This dahlia was a delight to all who saw our displays. 2.00

ROSA NELL—A sensational dahlia because of its rare coloring, clear, bright rose; always attracts attention. Immense blooms of fine formation on extra long, stiff, erect stems; vigorous grower; a Californian of highest merit. 4.00

SEQUOIA GIGANTEA—Immense blooms of buttercup yellow, borne on perfect stems. Large vigorous plants, tower above most others in the garden; habits perfect. 1.00

SHUDOW'S LAVENDER—One of the greatest prize winners ever produced. Very large flowers of silvery lavender, shading to white. It has long, stiff stems, and holds the big blossoms rigidly erect; lace-like foliage. Robust grower, free and continuous bloomer throughout the season. A real acquisition. 5.00

SNOWDRIFT—A giant white with broad, waxy, pointed petals, forming a very full, deep built flower. Vigorous bushy plant, very floriferous. A gem. 1.50

SOROSIS—The finest red to date. Meets with instant approval in the garden or on exhibition. Blossoms of dazzling rich deep red of immense size, held on long, perfect stems. All that could be desired. 3.00

VENUS—Soft, beautiful, creamy white with lavender suffusion. Extra fine grower, most attractive in the garden and especially fine for cutting. Flowers produced on grand stems; always in bloom. Most meritorious. 3.00

WILLIAM SLOCOMBE—The largest and most beautiful canary yellow dahlia grown. Exquisitely formed flowers, nine inches across. Do not pass this superlative dahlia. 2.00

WINFIELD SLOCOMBE—A perfectly formed large flower; very full and regular, the finest of its color to date; orange shading to burnt orange. Fine stems; sturdy plant of good habits. A choice collection is incomplete without this gorgeous beauty. 7.50

CACTUS DAHLIAS

This type is always popular, due to the unusual formation—long, slender petals, straight or incurved, very full and fluffy. Great care has been exercised in selecting the following of special merit. The list comprises the straight type, incurved type, and hybrid cactus type.

AMBASSADOR—One of the largest hybrid cactus dahlias to date. The color is a revelation; delicate yellow buff shading to salmon pink. Prolific bloomer on long, stiff stems. Should grace every fine collection. 7.00

ATTRACTION—Large flowers of beautiful lilac rose, produced on elegant stems. An excellent keeper when cut; always in great demand. .75

BOWEN TUFTS—Beautiful blossoms of a bright capucine orange, blending to bright golden orange in the center. Flowers very full on good strong stems; vigorous grower. A lovely dahlia. 2.00

BRIDAL VEIL—Pure glistening white. The petals of this large flower are folded nicely and points are twisted in such a unique form that it is easily the most beautiful white cactus dahlia ever introduced. Flowers stand erect on fine stiff stems. Do not pass it by. 4.00

COUNTESS OF LONSDALE—One of the best bloomers of this type. Deep salmon red flowers, very full and produced on fine stems. Plants are bushy and make grand specimens. .25

DOROTHY DURNBAUGH—A superb incurved cactus dahlia, without a peer. The color is a glorious soft rose blending to pink. Large full flowers produced in abundance on a fine growing bush. An important acquisition. 1.50

EDITH SLOCOMBE—Immense blossoms of beautiful formation. Color, a deep purplish garnet; fine stems and growing habits. Very highly recommended. 3.50

GEORGE WALTERS—Massive blossoms of beautiful pinkish salmon, shading to a yellow base. Great substance, fine stems, very floriferous. The greatest prize winner of any cactus dahlia. .75

GLADYS SHERWOOD—Another prize winner. Giant hybrid cactus blooms of purest white, largest size, produced in abundance on a fine bush. Gives utmost satisfaction. 1.50

HELEN DURNBAUGH—A very beautiful dahlia. Admired by all. Flowers are immense and deep; the petals, being cleft at the tips, add to its graceful appearance. Early and free bloomer. Color delicate blush deepening to glowing but soft rose. A gem. 1.50

J. H. JACKSON—The darkest maroon cactus we have. Large flowers of true type produced in great abundance on fine stems. Do not judge this lovely dahlia by the very low quotation. .25

JOHN RIDING—Deep rich crimson dahlia, greatly admired for its splendid color and excellent form. Produced on elegant stems. 1.00

KALIF—Very large, beautiful pure glowing scarlet blossoms held on fine stems. Plant habit unexcelled. One of the finest ever sent from Europe. .75

KAPOLINE—A truly exquisite hybrid cactus. Large blossoms of deep red shading to maroon. Prolific bloomer, fine stems; in fact, without a fault. One of the choicest. 3.00

LA FAVORITA—Brilliant orange in color. Immense flowers full to the center, grand stems. With us, it is among the first to bloom and never stops till frost cuts down its gorgeous display. 1.50

MARGUERITE BOUCHON—A very dainty variety of clear pink, shading to white in the center. Petals are narrow and numerous. Great keeper when cut. .70

MARIPOSA—A lovely flower of bright, yet delicate pink, shading deeper at the center. Blooming abundantly all season, this exquisite flower is carried on grand stems. A gem of the first order for exhibition, cutting or garden display. 5.00

MOUNT SHASTA—An extra fine, full, deep flower of enormous size. Very light shell pink with faint tinge of yellow toward the center. Petals long, slim and rolled at the points. One of the best. 1.40

MRS. C. H. BRECK—Beautiful large free blooming cactus. Soft yellow, suffused and tipped carmine. Splendid effect. .50

MRS. H. J. JONES—A very pretty variegated dahlia, petals crimson red at the center, blending to white at the edges. A capital cut flower variety. Highly recommended. .45

- MRS. RICHARD LOHRMANN**—Beautiful large Chinese yellow hybrid cactus flowers, held high on fine stems. Sometimes comes as a perfect decorative. One of the best yellows. 2.00
- MRS. WARNAAR**—Creamy white flowers with faint apple blossom pink shadings. Excellent bush, producing immense blooms (eight inches) on strong, long stems. One you should have. 1.00
- MRS. W. E. ESTES**—The very large fluffy white blooms are produced in abundance on fine, long, stiff stems. Flowers resemble large white ostrich plumes. 1.25
- PERLE DE LYON**—One of the prettiest pure white cactus dahlias. Very prolific and showy. .25
- PIERROT**—A most attractive incurved cactus dahlia. Huge blossoms, long narrow petals of deep amber blending to golden at the base and usually tipped white. Blossoms seven to ten inches across, produced with greatest freedom. .75
- RED CROSS**—The color of this very charming dahlia is a combination of red and golden yellow, with a suffusion difficult to describe; strong, wiry stems. An A No. 1 variety. 1.75
- RUTH C. GLEADELL**—Soft yellow shading to apricot and bronze on the outer petals. The large flowers are produced on long stems carried well above the foliage. .70
- SOUTH POLE**—An immense pure white flower of splendid form and great substance. Borne on long stems. A much-sought-for introduction. .35
- TOM LUNDY**—Very large dark rich crimson flowers; petals long, narrow and flat, in great numbers, producing a beautifully formed dahlia. Good plant, profuse bloomer. A great favorite. .75

PEONY-FLOWERED DAHLIAS

Known as the "Art Dahlias"

The flowers are semi-double, showing yellow centers, surrounded by small curling petals. Splendid for cutting and garden decoration.

- ALAN LOMA—Very large, massive flower, pure waxy white, borne on long, stiff stems. The broad, flat petals radiating from a prominent yellow center having a few curling petals surrounding it. A very choice peony. .50
- BERTHA VON SUTTNER (Photographed on cover)—A most beautiful dahlia of salmon pink overlaid with a delicate yellow. Beautifully curled and twisted petals presenting a graceful and delicate flower. This dahlia was admired by all who saw our displays. Free bloomer, elegant stems. A dahlia of supreme merit. 1.00
- CASSANDRA—A beautifully formed dahlia of rich golden brown tone; splendid stems and excellent growing habits. .55
- DIANA—A gigantic attractive flower of very fine form. Color crimson with violet reflection. Good stiff stems. A lovely dahlia. .50
- DUTCHESS OF BRUNSWICK—Large flower of beautiful reddish brown, shading from the center to a rich apricot; unique in form. Highly recommended. .50
- FOREST LOMA—Deep cerise pink, blotched and streaked canary yellow. Petals numerous, finely formed and curled at the points. This immense bloom is one of the most admired in our garden. 1.00
- GEISHA—Due to its gorgeous coloring, brilliant scarlet and gold, this dahlia always attracts great attention. One you will be pleased to grow. .50
- GORGEOUS—This dahlia named itself; it is gorgeous. Wonderful blooms, immense to the end of the season. Color, golden yellow and brilliant scarlet. Stems long and stiff. Very desirable. 3.50
- H J. LOVINK—Delicate lavender blending to white, lovely form. Flowers of large size on fine stems. .25
- JOHN WANAMAKER—A very popular introduction. Large, loosely built flowers of curled and twisted petals of a beautiful soft shade of rosy pink with violet tint. Bushy plants, very floriferous. A dandy art dahlia. .35
- KING ALBERT—Large finely formed flowers with gracefully recurved petals borne on long, straight stems; color rich royal purple. Strong vigorous grower and free bloomer. True stock scarce. 1.50

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In presenting this list of a representative collection of the World's Choicest Dahlias, we have endeavored to describe those types which have proven meritorious, as the most formidable and dependable.

We grow many others and will be pleased to receive inquiry for any special types which you may be interested in.

To those not acquainted with the different varieties of Dahlias, we direct attention to the special collections listed on the last page.

We would like to see these rare and beautiful Dahlias grown in every garden; hence our prices are calculated to conform with every pocketbook.

FORWARDING - All orders aggregating two dollars or over, will be delivered to you charges prepaid, Remittance before shipping or C.O.D.

Full cultural directions will be enclosed with each shipment.

WE GUARANTEE every tuber sent out by us to be true to name and in good growing condition. We will cheerfully replace any that may prove otherwise, but of course will not be held responsible for any amount in excess of the purchase price.

Last year many were disappointed due to stocks being sold out. May we not suggest that you insure the pride and pleasure of growing these beautiful creations in your own garden by placing your order now?

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MME. VAN BYSTEIN—Large, well-formed flowers with nicely formed curling petals of exceptional beauty borne on good long stems; color a lovely shade of lilac. An early and profuse bloomer. .45

MRS. GEO. GORDON—Exquisite blooms of creamy yellow; petals waved beautifully, forming a large art dahlia. It simply blooms and blooms. Stems and growing habits excellent. .50

MRS. JACQUES FRUTRELLE—An exquisite shade of lemon yellow, heavily splashed scarlet with small curling petals, surrounding the golden yellow center. Free bloomer on good stems. .40

OREGON BEAUTY—Intense oriental red, with a suffusion of carmine. A magnificent, large, early variety. .25

POINSETTIA—Especially valuable for garden decoration. Simply loaded with brilliant fiery scarlet blooms with open yellow pollen centers. Shape and color remind one of the Christmas poinsettias. .25

QUEEN ESTHER—A most beautiful massive flower of enormous size, true type with curling center petals. Color intense dazzling red (DuBarry); long strong stems. .75

RADIANT CHARMING—Beautiful flowers of white, heavily suffused deep lavender pink. Very attractive; particularly adapted for cutting; good keeper. .50

UNCLE SAM—What can we say of this masterpiece? A most consistent prize winner of pure golden color. Immense blooms, ten to twelve inches across, on great stems, produced in abundance. You should have this dahlia of dahlias. 10.00

U. S. A.—Vivid orange blossoms of deep, perfect peony type, which receive the greatest admiration from one and all. Plant habits are all that might be desired. A brilliant introduction. 3.00

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

For those not acquainted with the different names of dahlias, we will make up collections of one dozen tubers of our own selection, all named varieties, for \$5.00, \$10.00 or \$15.00.

Choice dahlias which have lost their tags in handling—per dozen, \$2.00.

In each case we will give good values and generous count.

Full cultural directions with every order.